before and after revision are given below•_ Details of Allowances of ED BPMs

(Rs.)

	Prior to revision		Revised rates		Diff.	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min,	Max.
Basic Allowance	217	265	275	440	38	175
Office Maintenance Allowance		IO		25		15
Fixed Stationery Allowance		I		3		2
Combined Duty Allowance (wherever applicable)		15		50		35

Profits before Tax an,j after Tax of Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Petroleu$_m$ and Natural Gas

2840. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the expected profit before tax and profit after tax of different Public Sector Undertakings under his Ministry; and

(b) how does this compare with the figures of *the* last two yeans?

THE MINISTER OP STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM' AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT); (a) The Rrofit before tax and profit after tax expected to be earned during 1988-8!}' by the Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas are about s, 2800 crores and Rs. 2101 crores respectively.

(b) Tile comparative figures for the last two years are given below: —

(Rs./crores)

	1986V87	1987-8S
Profit before tax	3076	2971
Profit' after tax	2147	217S

Import of different Petroleum Products

2841. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: *Will* the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAg be pleased to state;

(a) what have been the quantities of different petroleum products imported during each of the last three years, their unit price and total amount spent for these imports (each) year-wise;

(b) what has been the percentage increase/decrease in quantities and amounts of these products during the last three years; and

(c) what steps, if any, are being contemplated by Government to decrease the quantity/amount of these imports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRl BRAHM DUTT); (a) and (b) The details of quantity, value, unit price and percentage increase /decrease of petroleum products imported during the last three years are given in annexure. ("See Appendix CXLIX, Annexure No. 158].

(c) In order to reduce the import of petroleum products, the following steps have been taken t$_0$ increase the